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Dear Fellow Nevadans:

I am pleased to present the *Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division 2016-2020 State Plan for Aging Services*, for the period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020. This plan is now available for you at http://adsd.nv.gov/About/Reports/Reports/.

The Division is the primary advocate for Nevada's older adults and persons with disabilities, by developing, implementing and coordinating services for them throughout the state.

In keeping with this role, the plan outlines the Division's direction for the next four years. The plan also highlights the accomplishments made during the last four years, offers a summary of the demographic changes in the state and provides a description of the programs administered by the Division. The plan is intended to be a working document and is structured so that the Appendices can be utilized as stand-alone documents.

A decade ago on January 1, 2006, Baby Boomers began turning age 60, and just five years ago, they began turning age 65. The population of older adult Nevadans continues to grow, while resources remain much the same or decreased. The Division has been fortunate to receive allocations from the 1998 Master Tobacco Settlement funds, but these are certain to diminish in coming years.

The Division continues to explore innovative ways of working with partners to bring services to older adults and persons with disabilities. The Division maintains its commitment to promoting the independence and dignity of those we serve, by protecting their rights, fostering their independence and advocating on their behalf.

Sincerely,

Jane Gruner Administrator